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RATIFICATION OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR DISTRICT
WIDE WIRELESS ACCESS POINTS UPGRADES TO
EDNETICS INC

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STRATEGIC THEME: Delivery: Redefine time, place, and systems of educational delivery to create a more learner-centric ecosystem; Enterprise: Cultivate a long-term sustainable college enterprise

REPORT: The 2022 Bond Program includes funding for IT Infrastructure upgrades throughout the district. A planned project for 2024 was the upgrade of wireless access points districtwide. The completion of this project is dependent on completion of the ongoing project to upgrade network switches. As the College returned to primarily in-person work and classes, it became clear that the current wireless network could not fully support staff and student needs. Ednetics, the contractor replacing the wireless switches, is able to integrate the replacement of the wireless access points with that project, which will allow a quicker resolution to the current issues with wireless access.

The College issued an Emergency Declaration on October 18, 2023 to allow Ednetics to perform this work as a change order to their current contract.

Ednetics provided a change proposal of \$119,905 to add this scope of work to the switch replacement project. The College reviewed this and authorized Ednetics to proceed. The revised contract value with Ednetics will be \$251,990

There is no COBID participation on this contract. Ednetics is not COBID registered and no COBID firm was available to perform the work.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Directors ratify the award of change order to Ednetics Inc for the District-Wide Access Control Point Replacement Project bringing the total contract value to \$277,189 including a 10% contingency. Funding will be from the 2017 and 2022 Bonds.